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For: LEAD FRAME FOR AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT CHIP (SMALL WINDOW)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT 35 U.S.C. §132; 37 C.F.R. §1.111

This is responsive to the Office Action, reciting a January 19, 2001 mailing date, regarding the above-identified Application. Please reconsider allowability of the Application amended as follows:

A. IN THE DRAWINGS

Applicants respectfully request approval of the proposed corrections to Figures 1A, 6, 6A and 6B, marked in red and/or highlighted on the attached copies thereof.

Upon approval by the Examiner, and upon allowance of this Application, Applicants will submit corrected formal drawings.

B. IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 2, 6, 8, 9, 13 and 14 as follows:

1. (Amended) A lead frame, for an integrated circuit chip having a frame engaging bottom surface, comprising:

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